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The children kept coming one by one,
Till the boys were five and the girls were three.
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From the basement floor to the old roof tree.
Like the golden flower the little one grew,
Nurtured and trained with the tenderest care,
Watched by love's sunshine, bathed in the dew,
They bloomed into beauty, like roses rare.

But one of the twenty was weary one day,
And leaning his head on his mother's breast
He said "I am tired and cannot play;
Let me sit while on your knee and rest."
She cradled him close in her fond embrace,
She hushed him to sleep with her sweetest song,
And rapturous love with lighted his face
When his spirit had joined the heavenly throng.

Then the eldest girl with her thoughtful eyes,
Who stood where "the brook and the river met,"
Stole softly away into Paradise
Ere "the river" had reached her slender feet.
While the father's eyes on the grave were bent,
The mother looked upward and kept all the skies;
"Our treasures," she whispered, "were only lent,
Our darlings were angels in earth disguised."

The years flew by and the children began
With longing to think of the world outside,
And one each, in turn, became a man,
The boys proudly went from the fireside.
The girls were women so good and fair
That lovers were speedy to claim and win,
And with orange blossoms in bridal hair,
The old home was left, even one by one.

So, one by one, the children have gone,
The boys wrought out the fate they were born,
And the big brown house was lonely and lone,
With two old folks for the company.
They talk to each other across the pew,
As they sit in their chair at eventide,
And say, "All the children we keep at last
Are the boy and the girl who in cradle died."

MISCELLANEOUS.

CAPTURED.

A STORY OF THE REBELLION.

Near the beginning of our late civil war Lieutenant Graham was stationed with a few men to guard a gap in the Virginia mountains. The Union people of the whole South at that time was very rigorous, and supplies of any kind were rarely smuggled through the Confederate lines.

One morning as the Lieutenant sat smoking in the door of his tent one of his outlying pickets presented himself, red and blown with running.

"I've got 'em, sir!" he cried. "Some of the rebels—the Kentucky across the Pass—I brought 'em to with a round turn."

"Where?" exclaimed the Lieutenant, as he jumped to his feet. He was young and zealous, and had not yet had a chance to prove his zeal. "Before breaking the lines, eh? Well done, Wright!"

"Carrying provisions, sir."

"No doubt—no doubt. Arms and ammunition, too, of course. Where are they? Were they taken prisoners?"

The man looked abashed.

"They're back in the woods, sir. I just fetched it along."

"It? What on earth—"

The Lieutenant followed Wright, who ran to the woods, dashed behind a tree and hauled out a little girl of about ten years of age, carrying a basket. A donkey stood beside her.

"There they be, Lieutenant," the man footin' it past the pickets, sir, you! Drat 'em!" to herself as may as yer please."

"Take your hands off the child! I thought you had captured a dozen men, you braggart! Who are you, my child?"

"I'm Dora Nettley, sir."

Dora was a chubby, fair-faced child, with honest brown eyes, which reminded the lieutenant of his little sister away out in Michigan. Still, important information, maps and dispatches had often been carried by women and children since the war began, and this might be a bearer of information, child though she was.

"Where did you come from, Dora?"

"From Martinsburg, sir."

"And what have you in that basket?"

The child's face grew red, she shut her lips tight, and remained silent.

"Search it, Wright."

"Here's tea, sir, and a little package of sugar, and here's a bottle of quinine pills."

"Where are you going with these things, Dora?"

She looked wildly from side to side, her chin quivered, and then she burst into passionate sobs.

"O, let me go, sir! It's my mother. She is down on the plantation, all alone. The negroes have all followed your army, and my mother's alone and sick. I just thought I'd buy her a little tea and sugar and medicine."

"How do you know that she is sick?"

"Patsey told me. Patsey's the coachman. He followed the soldiers up to Martinsburg. He said there was nobody to take care of her."

"And you rode from Martinsburg here on this donkey?"

"Yes, sir."

"And meant to pass the lines?"

Dora nodded, and her eyes sparkled. This kind faced lad was not so terrible a foe, after all.

"I was just going down the gap road. I have ridden it on Spot a hundred times before."

Wright's face was eagerly turned to the officer.

"O, let the children go, lieutenant. What harrum kin she do with her bit of tea for her sick mother? I wish I'd been in bet ther business when I techted you, sissy."

"I wish you had," said Dora, simply.

"How does it happen that your mother is alone?" asked the lieutenant. "Where is your father?"

Dora's cheeks glowed a fiery red. She looked at the ground uncertainly. She was a quick witted child, and had seen the pity and sympathy in the officer's eyes. If she could hide the fact that her family were actively concerned with the Confederates, there was a chance that she would be allowed to pass. But—to lie!

"Where is your father, Dora?" he repeated.

"In the army," she faltered.

"Fighting for the Union?" said Graham, sparkling.

There was a long pause.

"He is with Lee," she said, at last.

"And you are his—"

"Daughter," said Dora, with dignity. "The young officer turned away impatiently. He had hoped to find a pretext for letting the child go.

"Wait down in the field a bit, lieutenant, and keep your back this way," whispered Wright. "I'll give her the wink to be off. And what harrum's done?"

"I am sorry, Dora, but I cannot let you pass through the gap. It is against orders."

She did not make any noise, but dropped on the grass and buried her face in her hands.

"I must—mother!" she sobbed. "O, I want mother!"

"You see, child," explained Wright, "no support or comfort kin be carried to the enemy."

"She's not an enemy!" cried Dora, angrily. "She's mother."

"Come with me, Dora," said the lieutenant. He lifted her on the donkey and led her to the farm house, where the wife of General Rand kept a dairy. She was a gentle, tactful woman, and he told her the story.

"I am going to the county seat, Georgia, for a few days, to pass the time. You can remain with the children, and do everything you think you can for her. For I would stake my life on the honesty of the child."

"You will have a ride of twenty miles in the last sun, lieutenant," said Mrs. R. "Do you know the road?"

"No, but I cannot be pitied when I think of that poor woman yonder were my mother and there was Dora Nettley Alice?"

Mrs. R. took the girl up to a little chamber which she told her she might be the mistress of. Lieutenant returned, kissed her and left. She felt a moment at the dreadful turmoil and the crowd of the war. This poor mother, dying alone, perhaps, and the child wandering through the country! Who was there to see who could not go all right?

In the meantime Dora had hidden her basket, locked the door, and kneeled down by the side of the bed. She was prayer with all the strength of her little heart to God to help her. And on the other side of the mountain, in a country home, her mother, in the day alone, her face covered by her pale, worn face, which she had spoken to the child. Dora's mother had learned to whom she trusted all her life.

Dora's courage helped the lieutenant, and Wright, both prompted, he thought, by a casual likeness of the child to his sister. Yet was there no other one who heard their prayers and made all things work together to answer them. The Great Lord and Master of the world is good to us, and the natural and supernatural.

Within half an hour Lieutenant Graham was on his way to Georgia. The farm house Mrs. R. with Dora, returned to meet him.

"I have by your leave, to have her escorted, she said.

"Yes, the general is not to be a soldier of fortune as to make war upon children. But is a woman and children? I have no thing to do with a prisoner, and I am not for a guard to take the road through the pass."

The officer himself rode over the guard into the gap.

"Good by, my little prisoner. You will soon be with your mother and I hope you will find that she will not need the medicine you are carrying her," he said, as they parted.

Dora's eyes were full of tears.

"You have been so good to me," she said, dropping a courtesy and holding out both hands. "I wish I could do some thing for you."

"O, be good to the fine Yankee who falls into your hands, you little rebel," he replied, laughing.

There is a sequel to our little story. Mrs. Nettley with her daughter, relative to safety to her brother's plantation in the western part of the state, where they remain during the war.

After a skirmish which took place in the neighborhood, Mary Nettley's devoted nursing, especially, was taken as a temporary hospital, to which the wounded of both sides were carried. Dora and her mother were busy among them, doing what they could to alleviate their sufferings until the surgeons had dressed their wounds.

There was one young man of about twenty who was wounded in the leg. Dora, as she raised his head, gave him a drink of water, in the eye. They had a strangely familiar look.

"What is your name?" she said, as she took the cup from his mouth.

"Felix Graham."

"What regiment?"

"Engineer Fourth Michigan."

Dora ran to her mother, fairly standing in her excitement.

"He is like the lieutenant at the gap, mamma! And the same name! And I promised! I promised!"

Mrs. Nettley in her turn grew excited and frightened. She went to the room but when the time came for nursing, the wounded Union officer was away.

There is a young man among them, she said, "whose wound will probably prove fatal if he is moved. I owe a debt of gratitude, as I believe, to one of his family—or at least to one of his name. If you will leave him, I will nurse him as faithfully and well as I can."

Mrs. Nettley was a woman whose requests were usually granted. Felix Graham remained in her house for two months.

Four years of civil war was over, our old friend, Colonel Graham (formerly Lieutenant), came home to Michigan from San Francisco, where he had engaged in business after his discharge from the army. It was his first homecoming, and there was great rejoicing, and a gathering of all the Graham clans big and little.

"But where's my new sister?" he said to Alice. "I wish I could have got back in time for the wedding. To think Felix went to Virginia for a wife, after all!"

"Here they come," said Alice, as steps were heard on the porch without, and the boys rushed out to meet Felix, and the little waits—"He's come! he's come!"

The door opened, and Felix, bearded and sun burned, came in, a shy, chubby young girl following him. Her eyes were brown and oddly honest and frank. Colonel Graham, his hand out, stopped, perplexed.

"What! Dora!" he said. "Dora!"

"Yes, Dora," she answered. "I kept my promise," laughing mischievously. "You told me to be good to the first Yankee who fell into my hands. Here he is. I thought the best thing I could do for him was to marry him."

Dora's mother and uncles followed her to Michigan. Since then there have been many family gatherings where the Nettleys and Grahams—were such bitter foes—recall the events of the war, seeking only to remember how much that was human and tender and brotherly was mingled with the terror and misery with that fearful time.—*Young Companion.*

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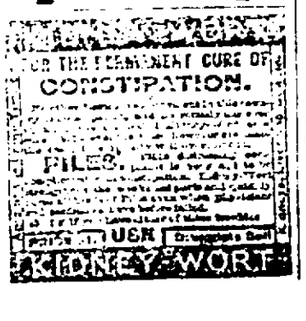

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THE McKEAN MINER.

Smethport, Pa., November 30, 1882.

H. F. BARBOUR, Editor.

THANKSGIVING.

The American people have holidays. We are a busy, rushing, work-a-day people and have little time for recreation and rest. It would perhaps be better if we had more holidays. We would live longer. Of the few which we grant ourselves, however, none is more generally respected than the annual Thanksgiving Day. It is distinctly a national day, established by custom from the earliest settlement of the country and each year stamped with the appointment and recommendation of the heads of the Nation and state. It is also essentially a christian holiday, and its observance as a national day by all classes and conditions of people is a more emphatic demonstration of our belief as a nation in an all ruling and beneficient Providence than were the demands of certain theorists that we put "God in the constitution" be complied with. For, notwithstanding the wickedness and sin so prominent and obtrusive on every hand, we are in every sense a christian people. As a nation we abide by the christian belief and creed. No man would dare while asking the suffrages of his fellow citizens for a high and responsible position to publicly assert his disbelief and denial of the existence of a God or the essential truths of christianity. No matter how outwardly moral or correct his character and habits of life, such a profession would insure his certain defeat in almost any community in the land, however careless and regardless of what are called religious interests. Thus Thanksgiving day, fixed on one of the closing days of the year, when the blessing of the year nearly past can be reviewed, to be observed by a nations praise and thanksgiving and the reunion of families and friends long separated by the business cares of our busy, restless American life, is come a day to which we all look forward with eager and pleasant anticipation.

As a nation we have this year abundant reason for gratitude and thanksgiving to the Giver of all good. The year nearly closed has been one of exceptional prosperity. We have been free from war, pestilence and famine the three dreaded instruments by which nations are so often punished. Every branch of industry in our broad land has been prospered, and as a people we have reason to feel that we are peculiarly blessed among the nations of the earth. There are of course thousands of less fortunate individuals who may in looking upon the dark side of life feel that they have little to be thankful for, yet we believe there are very few who, if they will sum up their blessings and misfortunes and strike a balance will not find it to be largely in favor of the former, and that many supposed misfortunes were blessings in disguise. Blessed is the man who, with faith that everything is ordered for eventual good, can look with complacency upon misfortune, remembering only the blessings and giving devout thanks therefor, and then bravely buckle on the armor for a renewed conflict with the world and its temptations. He will win the battle in the end.

In view of the course taken by the Wellsboro *Agitator* during the last campaign, we would suggest that the name ought to be changed to *Arbitrator*.

It is rather pleasant to stand by and witness a fight like that which is now going on between the *Era* and *Star* of Bradford, especially when nobody cares who gets the worst of it.

The Philadelphia *Bulletin* thinks Uncle Jake Zeigler wont do for Speaker. He was educated in the wrong school and knows too much of Harrisburg crookedness.

The democrats of Gettysburg are accused of dragging an effigy of Gen. Beaver through the streets of that borough. They no doubt enjoyed immensely the opportunity of thus insulting a one-legged Union soldier.

Under the rules adopted at the last state convention, the democratic state committee will meet in Harrisburg on the third Monday of January next. Each county furnishes one member of the committee, elected by the members of the county committee. The MINER makes this suggestion for the benefit of chairman Blomer, that he may call his committee together and attend to this work, knowing well that its sleepy, "patent process" contemporary around the corner would not think of it until it would be too late.

Zanesville, Ohio, people are excited over the fact that a white girl there has married a black man, and that excitement has been worked up to such a pitch that to ensure their safety the man and woman, as well as the minister who solemnized the marriage were compelled to leave the city and neighborhood. It is possible, even probable that a move of this kind on the part of a white girl is an evidence of a depraved or degraded taste but it is true that the Civil Rights billigives every woman in the land a legal right to marry a negro if she wants to.

A Washington special to the New York *World* states positively that Secretary Folger's resignation has been tendered to the President, and that his Excellency has accepted it, to take effect December 13. If this is true, it is the wisest course the Secretary could have taken, and will do more to re-establish him in the confidence of the people than the most careful discharge of official duty for years could have done. It will also prove that Mr. Folger puts the proper construction on the rebuke so lately and so overwhelmingly administered by the people.

At the suggestion of Attorney General Brewster, the President has placed in the basket, the official heads of Charles E. Henry, Marshall of the District of Columbia, ex-United States Senator Geo. E. Spencer one of the directors of the Union Pacific railroad, D. B. Alger postmaster of Washington city, the assistant postmaster M. M. Parker and M. D. Helm foreman of the government printing office at Washington, all charged with interfering with the course of justice in the recent trial of the Star Route thieves. That these men are guilty seems to admit of no reasonable doubt and the prompt manner in which the President has dealt with them is conclusive evidence, if any more were needed, that the government is in dead earnest in this matter and will not rest until this band of wholesale robbers is broken up and its members safely lodged in prison. If the Attorney General will keep his eyes open he will most likely be able to bag another batch of them by the time the case has gone through the second trail.

Experience, though said to be an expensive teacher, has always been credited with effectually inculcating its lessons into the mind of the pupil so thoroughly, that one lesson is thought to be sufficient in all cases. But this is not so, and especially is this assertion refuted by the acts of those who from time to time are wont to take lessons in the various oil exchanges of the country. Of all kinds of gambling, that of speculation in oil is the most uncertain and most sure to bring ruin on its devotees speedily. Among the great number who have been effectually fleeced in the late break in the crude oil market may be counted many who have had the same experience before, once or oftener, and who have been years building up, by close application and hard labor the fortunes lost in a day in an oil exchange some years ago. Yet so fascinating is this species of gambling that those who once get into it, seldom if ever leave off while they have a dollar to venture, and when bank account and business have all been swallowed up in "margins" the determination to retrieve lost fortune becomes so great that men will put up their houses—homes, everything on the cast of a die and wake to find themselves homeless and penniless. In the Oil Exchange at Bradford last week, women sat from day to day watching with the most intense earnestness their savings of years melt away before the breaking of the fickle market like snow in sunshine, and when all was hopelessly lost, rushed with blanched faces and tear stained cheeks to the homes over which the cloud of adversity had been permanently cast by the mania of speculation. It would require no effort to point the moral to this tale, nor would it do any good to do so. When once the fever of speculation in courtesy so called takes hold of its victim no amount of reason or persuasion will suffice to do the work and teach the lesson that comes only with bankruptcy.

When one contemplates what a burdensome, harrassing and thankless position is that of President of the United States it is somewhat astonishing that so many men spend their lives in efforts and longings to be permitted to undertake its duties. Especially onerous is the position to an incumbent who has been as it were thrust into the harness, by constitutional succession from the Vice Presidential chair, by the death of his superior. We can imagine, and it was generally stated and believed at the time, that no man in the Nation more deeply regretted the death of President Garfield than did Vice President Arthur. Beside his sorrow for what he in common with his fellow citizens felt to be a National calamity, he realized the additional burden of being forced into a position of greatly increased responsibility under peculiarly delicate and trying circumstances. It is reasonable and charitable to suppose that the sudden and unlooked for accession to that high office, especially in view of the great calamity of which he seemed to profit, produced within his heart only of a feeling of dread and apprehension. Still he took up the burden manfully, and we believe that he has striven ably and conscientiously to discharge the duties of the office he holds by no will of his own. He has no doubt made mistakes, he would be more than human did he not. Yet his bitterest maligner can point to no mistake or act that has ever had a tendency to act injuriously upon the interests of the Nation at home or abroad. The sins of which he is accused are nothing more or less than the results of the real mistake he made in endeavoring to continue the policy of the lamented Garfield. He has tolerated the infamous plan of political assessments. Garfield tolerated them also, profited by them and as a candidate was solicitous of their collection. Arthur is accused of too great an interest in the New York election. Garfield furnished a precedent by an equal interest in the Virginia election and success of Mahone. Garfield in four months made scores of removals of public officials against whom were no charges. Arthur in twelve months has made not more than a dozen removals, and all for cause. We make these comparisons with no purpose to criticise Garfield, but to show that even compared with him, Arthur may not be as black as he is painted. Very unjustly the sins of congress are laid upon his broad shoulders, yet he promptly vetoed every iniquitous legislation. He has recently summarily removed certain officials suspected of impeding the Star Route trials, yet his captious critics refuse to give him any credit for a good deed well and promptly done. President Arthur is subject to human frailties, but we have yet to learn of any serious or criminal mistakes and only wish that he be granted simple justice and the charity and consideration due the man and his high and responsible position.

Nothing can equal the chivalry of the true-born southron, and it is only to that favored land that chivalry attains its full and complete growth. What would be the cause of angry words at the most, with the young mud sill of the north, is, with the sons of the sunny south sufficient cause for blood letting, and blood only can wipe out the injury. The other day two boys, brothers, residing at Smith's Cross Roads, Mecklenburg, Va., quarrelled over the distribution of some walnuts, when the elder, Alpheus, feeling that he had been injured in the transaction, procured the ever trusty shot gun with which he blew the head of Thomas Jones, the younger, into infinitesimal fragments, and thus appeased his wounded "honah." This is the true southern spirit, and it is this which makes the South the great and glorious country that it is.

Pattison's Attorney General.

There is a "hitch" in the appointment of attorney general, and governor Pattison already begins to realize the troubles in store for him if he fails to harmonize the democratic factions and furnish all the applicants with offices. At first it was hinted that he had a mind of his own and would ignore the "bosses" and do as he pleased, but that illusion is already dispelled as the bosses boom up. His appointment of Rev. Dr. Everett, a Methodist minister, as his private secretary, was a shock to the average democrat and set the whole party to thinking. A few bold and outspoken democrats at first applauded the appointment but they were soon convinced by a secret influence that it would be to their advantage to keep quiet, and thay quickly subsided.

The next trouble arose in the appointment of an attorney general and a secretary of the commonwealth. Lewis C. Cassidy, who made Pattison all that he is and brought about his nomination, is anxious for the appointment, but his record is so crooked and blotched that even the average democrat trembles at the idea of making him the legal adviser and director of the administration. Malcolm Hay, the pure, high toned democrat of Pittsburg, has been spoken of for secretary of the commonwealth, but those in the secrets of party management openly declare that he would not consent to serve with Cassidy. Here, then, is where Pattison has struck the first snag, and he has already learned that he cannot do as he pleases in forming his cabinet. The following article from the Lancaster *Intelligencer*, evidently written by Mr. Hensel himself, foreshadows trouble if the young governor assumes to "go too fast."

"If Mr Cassidy is being pressed for the office of attorney general by himself or by his friends—as is popularly understood—there is good reason, no doubt, in Mr. Pattison's mind why his nomination should receive due consideration from his old pupil and friend, who owes much of his political advancement to Mr. Cassidy. Besides, Mr Cassidy is a politician of no little influence and sagacity. A dispatch from Pittsburg to the *Times* represents that whil My Hay's appointment to a cabinet position in the new state administration would give unqualified satisfaction there, "it is believed by many that Hay and Cassidy would not harmonize in the cabinet. It is stated by some that Mr Hay would accept the attorney generalship and that he would decline the secretaryship and others say he would accept the secretaryship if an acceptable attorney general is appointed with him, but that he is averse to Cassidy." The Philadelphia *Evening Telegraph*, a journal of advanced independent republican sentiment, protests forcibly against Mr Cassidy a appointment, and there are intimations of similar views from many democratic quarters. Mr Cassidy's appointment would undoubtedly provoke sharp antagonisms. He has enough positiveness and personality to have gained friends and enemies.

Mr. Pattison needs a harmonious cabinet, capable cabinet, a clean cabinet, one which will satisfy the party and which will not disappoint the people.

It will be very much better for him to take until January 1 to consider this, than to make appointments now, only to recall or regret them before the first of the new year and the expected new era."

That Cassidy's appointment would "provoke sharp antagonisms" no one denies, but it is feared that it would cause a revolt that might shipwreck the administration at the very outset and make it a failure. It is with this knowledge than Hensel counsels caution, and hints that it would be better to go slow and take to the first of January to consider the appointments, instead of to hurried ly make them now and regret the work before the new year begins.

The governor is a young and inexperienced man, and he will find that to successfully govern four millions of people he must first learn something about them and their interests. He will learn, too, that the men who aided him during the campaign must be listened to. In a word, he will learn that the "bosses" who made him can destroy him, and that if he would have clear sailing he must take advice and consider the claims of the representative men of his party.

The very best man he could select for attorney general is Hon Charles E. Buckalew, of Columbia county. He is one of the *few* pure democrats to be found in the state, he has the ability and the experience to make a safe and reliable counsellor, he is thoroughly conversant with the new constitution of the state, having helped frame it, and from his knowledge of the corporate interests of the commonwealth it is doubtful if a better man for the place could be found in the democratic party to-day. He would be agreeable to Mr. Hay, it is believed, but it is extremely doubtful if either are chosen. Neither of them will seek place, it must come to them, and such men are not often called.

The office of attorney general is the most profitable in the gift of the governor. For some years past it has been worth $11,000 per annum, and it is not likely to fall much below that figure for some time to come. Mr. Cassidy, it is known, is anxious to have the appointment conferred on him, and will not be satisfied if it is given to another. He was the friend and benefactor of the man now elevated to the executive chair; he took him as a pupil when he was a friendless boy; under his tuition he was [illegible] not have been nominated. Now, will shall the boy governor do? Shall he show his gratitude to his benefactor, preceptor and political friend, by making him the chief in his cabinet, and thereby damn his administration at the start, or shall he show his ingratitude by giving the place to another? These are the two rocks which stand at the narrow outmouth to the fair sea beyond, and if he would have future happiness he must steer through without hitting either. Can he do it?—Williamsport Gazette and Bulletin.

Let us Have Peace

Of one thing there can be no question and that is, if the republican party is to elect a President in 1884 a good deal of the time between this and that must be employed in healing the differences in the party. Another fact must be recognised and that is that the party has been divided upon men and not upon principles, and that the principles of the party must be advanced to the front and the men who have caused the dissensions and the defeats, whoever they may be, remanded to the rear. The origin of the recent defeat throughout the country was the contest between the friends of General Grant and those of James G. Blaine to secure the nomination of their favorite at the Chicago convention in 1880. Unfortunately, instead of the contest being wisely dropped and the bitterness engendered forgotten, when Gen Garfield was elected President the appointment of Mr. Blaine to the Cabinet revived the feud between Conkling and Blaine until it involved the whole republican party, and the result is that a party which, two years ago, elected a President and congress, is to-day routed, horse foot and dragoon throughout the whole country. Since this result Mr. Blaine has wisely caused it to be announced that under no circumstances will he be a candidate for President in 1884." Grant and Conkling are out of politics entirely, and the friends of Blaine, Grant and Conkling should therefore cease to press the names of either of these distinguished gentlemen upon public attention. They have already declared themselves out of politics and they should be taken at their word and so treated. The strife they or their friends engendered should be at once stopped, and the chances of success without the active intervention of either of them in 1884 should be considered. That is the sensible, practical, harmonious and doubtless successful way of doing. Republicans should cease to be Grant men, Conkling men, Blaine men, or any other mans men, be independents, and be purely and simply republicans without qualification or limitation, and earnestly and honestly unite upon the living principles of the party, and go forward to win an old fashioned republican victory. No man or faction in the republican party is greater than the party itself. This once recognized, reconciliation and harmony will be more than half accomplished. The cry of party "bosses" should be speedily silenced by every republican voter becoming one and for all his own "boss," by attending the party primaries and exercising the influence to which he is entitled in directing party management controlling party nominations and promoting the success of republican principles and the ascendency of the grand old party. With this end in view the *Telegraph* will earnestly and honestly labor to secure an honorable and lasting peace within the old party.—Harrisburg Telegraph.

The record of transactions in the oil industry during the past ten days has in many respects possessed unusual features and it is not too much to say that unscrupulousness has been a predominant feature. Those whose positions in the trade gives them every advantage have not hesitated to so manipulate prices to their own advantage and to the ruin of the less favored as to engender the bitterest feelings and to bring discredit upon a trade in which this city is becoming deeply concerned. There does not exist to day a single legitimate reason why oil should rule at the present low rate. Production and consumption are about equal, if anything the latter element preponderates. But the figures which should indicate the real condition of these great forces are themselves unworthy of credence. The recent error of the United Pipe lines as yet remains unexplained in a satisfactory way, and the trade in general is in the dark regarding the actual relations of supply and demand. Meanwhile it is seen that the undue speculative excitement hereabouts has led to the formation of other Oil Exchanges, a subdivision of interests which indicates the widespread desire of local investors and speculators for increased facilities for dealing in petroleum. The experience of many whose earnings have been swept away at the doors of the existing Exchange, should serve as a wholesome lesson for the men who are multiplying Exchanges. Safety for the investor is not found in new organizations, but in applying the lessons learned at the lobby of the old Exchange, and at the hands of men whose advice has proved most disastrous to the too trusting speculator.—Pittsburg Tel.

Political and General

A few more "mystery oil wells" and Bradford would be bankrupt.—Philadelphia Press.

"Billy the Kid" died in the streets of Tombstone ten days ago, with his boots on, at the hands of "the best shot in Arizona."

No greenbackers were elected to the Forty eighth Congress, but greenback candidates for 1884 are as hale and fresh as ever.—Philadelphia Press.

Wallace to Randall: "I am sure you are the best man for Speaker the party could have. What kind of a United States Senator do you think I would make?"—Easton Express.

Let the independents who said they could not elect Stewart but could defeat Beaver, have full credit hereafter for their work.—Franklin Reporter.

The prohibitionists of Ohio will now probably be willing that the legislature shall proceed to regulate and restrain the liquor traffic, first, by taxing it, and second, by proposing an amendment to the constitution giving the general assembly full control of the business.—Cin. Gazette.

Boosism in politics might be avoided by the enactment of a law making an equal distribution of influence among republicans.—Washington Republican.

It calls for an immediate and radical reform in the civil service which shall put an end to the demoralizing abuse of Federal patronage.—New York Star.

A letter from General Roger A. Pryor, read at the banquet in Boston, given in honor of Governor-elect Ben. Butler, salutes Ben. with, "All hail Thane of Cawdor—and King shall be." If this means that Ben. will be President, it may be replied, "The earth hath bubbles as the water hath, and this is of them," and when "Birnam's wood doth come to Dunsinane," we fear that the dunce inane will be General Roger A. Pryor.—Baltimore American.

A gentleman who has arrived recently from upper Pennsylvania tells me that he knows it to be a fact that the elder Cameron has advised his son Don to resign his seat in the Senate and retire, at least for a time, from public life. The elder Cameron evidently sees that his son Don's leadership of the party in Pennsylvania is at an end, and that the best thing that he can do, under the circumstances, is to bear it as gracefully as possible—get out of the way—unload himself.

Abram S. Hewitt has said in a public speech, what in his private thoughts every democrat has known, that "the people did not vote the democratic ticket because they loved the party, but to punish the men who proved faithless to them." And Mr. Hewitt went on to hope that if the democratic party proved faithless to this trust, it might go down to more hopeless shipwreck than had overcome the republican ticket. He sees that all that opens before his party is a fighting chance, and every thinking man sees that all the last election did was to call game and give the democratic party the first innings. The people in the most emphatic way have tossed aside old preferences and prejudices to prove that in future parties shall prosper only as they govern well.—Philadelphia Press.

Some democratic Journals are making a mistake into which a widely-celebrated milkmaid, whose name unfortunately is lost, fell. They are counting their chickens before they are hatched. Assuming that all the states which recently gave democratic majorities will vote for the democratic nominee in 1884, they have no difficulty in figuring out an overwhelming majority for him in the electoral college. Let them be wise and tarry awhile. Two years must elapse before the Presidential election. Meantime the democrats are to be given a trial in the lower House. The recent land-slide was not a vote of confidence in them, but a notice to the republican leaders and legislators that they hadn't behaved themselves decently. The democratic congress may easily fail to meet general expectation, in which case the popular pendulum will swing back. Fortune and the fickle populace smile upon the democrats now. It is easy, therefore, to figure out a large majority for their candidate in the electoral college in 1884. But two years may produce a powerful revolution.—Chicago Times.

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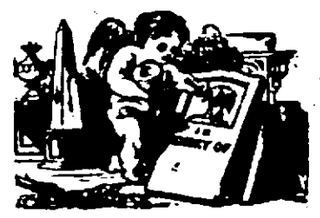

Water Street, Smethport, Pa.

ALL KINDS OF

Monumental, Marble and Stone Work Done to Order

MAKE HENS LAY

THE McKEAN MINER.

Smethport, Pa., November 30, 1882.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Winter seems loth to leave the 8

The Port Allegany *Reporter* has been enlarged to a full sheet.

Now all together What about the long talked of literary society, eh, Welsh

The erection of storm doors to the Port Central makes life within its walls endurable

Venison is offered in the markets as cheap as Texas steer steak and is much more palatable

Vast numbers of deer are being slain by the hunters who infest the woods in every direction.

The new Oil Exchange association of Bradford will build. At least that is the current report now

The sleighing is said to be good; whatever that may mean Wenever indulge in such frivolity.

November, December, January, February, March, April, six months Not counting a winter either

Look over the legal advertising, you may find your name in one of the applications for divorce or sheriff's sales.

At the Methodist Episcopal church next Sunday evening the subject of the sermon will be "The Raffle Shall I take a chance"

The last number of the Olean *Democrat* appeared without a single retraction which makes a decided improvement in it.

If James A. Anderson don't come down within a week, the opinion that nothing is wrong with him will be materially strengthened

This snow is doubly cold and seems about eighteen feet deep to many of the cattle who got fleeced in the Bradford exchange last week

A horse and cutter went flying through town Tuesday night unattended as we have not learned whose it was nor whether any damage was done

A new morning paper is talked of in Bradford as in fact much of the stock has been subscribed. There's room in the literary graveyard of that place for many yet

A piece of legal advertising which must always take precedence will be our excuse for omitting much local matter that we would like to have given in this issue

The stage line so efficiently conducted by Valentine Eelf is taking advantage of the snow and now he treats his passengers to a sleigh ride in a handsome turnout

The members of the class in elocution are making great progress and claim that Miss Browne, their instructress, is a complete mistress of her profession

Casting that bugbear of winter pedestrians, ice to one side in this locality is a very malignant form and already reports of accidents are coming in. Yes the young folks have their fun.

The narrow gauge system of railroads run in conjunction with the B. N. Y. & P. are running since Monday last on a change of time, but we have not been furnished with their new time card

The inclement weather has interfered somewhat with the rebuilding of the Extract Works, but Mr Barker has pushed the work with his usual energy, a worthy thing, and the building begins to look natural again

Concerning the acting of Minnie Palmer in "My Sweetheart," Joe Morehead of the Sunday *Mail* is the very best authority Come now Joe honor bright, what did you think of the sweetheart, and didn't you feel just a trifle "crawy"

Yesterday Will Bouton was out hunting, and finding a fine two year old buck raised his rifle, a Winchester, and fired but instead of slaughtering the game, he blew the breech out of his gun, narrowly escaping severe if not fatal injury

Entered at the post office as second class matter a number of callow youths who hang around public places, stores and the like, swearing loudly and making disparaging remarks concerning ladies who come and go about their business

Snow shovels sold so briskly Monday morning that Doc Sprague thought seriously of turning his attention to the manufacture and sale of this commodity exclusively, sending word to the President that he hadn't time to attend to the post office.

Mart Armstrong is on time this winter again, having brought to his store in the post office, hundreds of clocks of all kinds from the neat little French bedroom clock to the largest and finest office, hall and drawing room time pieces. Unusually handsome designs make this invoice of goods superior to any we have ever seen, and we are assured that they will "go" if he has to cut prices more than ever before.

—Yesterday the prisoners in the jail were let out in the corridor to enjoy themselves as well as they could, it being a holiday, but when they were requested to again return to their cells in the evening they refused, and threatened to mutiny. Jailor Dean summoned to his assistance two or three men, when the convicts seeing that any further resistance would most likely result unfavorably to them they made a virtue of necessity and gracefully sought their respective cells

Naughty Lillie Lee

At an early hour last Monday morning the attention of police officer Riley of Bradford was called to the neighborhood of South Place by cries of distress, and proceeding thither he found Lillie Lee, who keeps a place, the reputation of which is not in any kind of doubt perambulating around with a big carving knife looking for some man, who, she alleged had struck her a blow in the face knocking off her bon. Not seeming to be particular who she carved, she made a pass at the officer, and but for his metal buttons would, it is said, have buried the knife in his anatomy. The officer took her to the Pine Street Villa, where she slept off her drunkenness on a plank, having been brought before Alderman Mc—— was discharged after paying a fine of $10 all of which teaches us that in the midst of life we sometimes get drunk and do things we hadn't orto.

THE BENNETT HOUSE AGAIN.

AFTER SO LONG A TIME THE CRIMINAL IS DISCOVERED AND TO BE BROUGHT TO JUSTICE.

Every citizen of McKean county who has ever visited Smethport will remember the old Bennett House, which was for a number of years the principal hotel of the borough, and they will also call to mind the fact that last May the house was, with its contents entirely consumed by fire.

At the time of the destruction of the house, and, indeed, ever since there has existed in the minds of the best informed on the subject, a very grave suspicion that the fire was the work of an incendiary and it was generally conceeded to be either George Van Gorder, who was then occupying the house, or his brother W. P. Van Gorder who was keeping the Dolan House at Eldred, or both.

Suspicion was rife against these men but testimony was entirely wanting, and in the absence of this the insurance companies reluctantly adjusted and paid to General Hamar, the owner, the insurance and people supposed the matter had been set at rest, notwithstanding the fact that the insurance Co. had offered a reward of $500 for the arrest and conviction of the guilty party or parties, and a like liberal offer was made by General Hamar.

Until within a week past the matter has rested just where it was left the day after the fire, when word was received that detective B. J. Wilmouth of Bradford, an employee of the Erie railroad company had arrested W. P. Van Gorder in Cleveland, accusing him with the crime and that the detective was in full possession of the evidence necessary to ensure a conviction.

Domestic trouble in the matter of W. P. Vantorder is no doubt the real reason of his sin finding him out, but the circumstances which brought about his detection would have availed but little in the possession of any one else than a skilled and determined detective. Some time before the destruction of the Bennett House, Mrs. Van Gorder had left the home of her husband at Eldred, asserting that his treatment of her had become insupportable and life with him or in the same house in which he resided, burdensome.

Shortly after the fire here, W. P. Van Gorder gave up possession of the Dolan House at Eldred and removed to Cleveland where his wife joined him, and they again set forward in life as man and wife. But things did not run any smoother than before and Mrs. Van Gorder once more left her husband, and employing the assistance of an attorney applied to the courts for a divorce. To this course Van Gorder objected, and, determined, to defeat, employed a lawyer to resist the application. It seems that finances were running low with the defendant, and in payment of counsel fees he transferred to his lawyer two oil leases.

Afterwards, for some reason, probably because he feared these same castors might fall under the eye of some one who would recognize them, he sent his wife to demand them back, and instructed her to assert that the property was hers individually, and that husband had no right to dispose of them But it also appears that Van Gorder had foolishly told his wife where and how he obtained the articles in question, which information she did not hesitate to use when the time come that she could turn it to her benefit

All this time detective Wilmouth was keeping up a still hunt, having made arrangements, only known to detectives, by which he was put in possession of each clue as fast as they were developed, and last Thursday, believing that he had testimony enough and that he had better secure his bird before he had flown, he proceeded to Cleveland and on an affidavit charging him with arson, had Van Gorder arrested and committed to jail to await a requisition from the Governor of Pennsylvania, supposing, of course that his prisoner would await him self of all his rights in the premises and refuse to come voluntarily to this state to meet the charges against him

Returning to Cleveland Monday, the better to keep his eye on his man until the arrival of the necessary process from this state Wilmouth learned that Van Gorder had declared his willingness to return to Pennsylvania and prepare for his defense, without waiting for the formality of the action of the governors of the two states The detective then went to the party in possession of the silver ware, and, being unable to get possession of them otherwise, bought them, and with them, he brought Van Gorder back to Pennsylvania, arriving in Bradford Tuesday where the prisoner was locked up to await an examination on the double charge of larceny and arson

Now for a brief re hersal of the story of the fire along with the facts that have been developed in this neighborhood since About three weeks before the destruction of the hotel, a fire was discovered in the basement or kitchen of the house, and, was only by the prompt and efficient services of the firemen prevented from destroying the building and contents at that time The circumstances attending this affair were such as to cause grave suspicion that all was not straight, and when the second and successful attempt was made, there were none left who doubtful for a moment that the destruction was intentional and it only remained to discover who was the criminal. On the day before the night on which the fire occurred George Van Gorder who with his family was at the time in possession of the house which was undergoing repairs made necessary by the former fire, went to Bradford, taking with him one of his daughters After arriving at Bradford he telegraphed for his son who went over on the evening train, leaving in the house only Mrs. Van Gorder and a daughter. Late on the night of the fire, it is asserted that W. P. Van Gorder secured a horse and buggy at Eldred, and although nothing was thought of the circumstance at the time, it now forms one link in the chain which seems to surround him with proof of his complicity in the crime.

The castors recovered in Cleveland are said by the detective to have been identified by a former dining room girl of the Bennett House as part of the plate of that establishment, and the further assertion is made that Van Gorder told his wife that he got them from the Bennett House. It is also said that at least one witness can be procured in this borough who will testify that just before the alarm of fire was raised at about two o'clock in the morning he saw W. P. Van Gorder driving down Water street in great haste, and the further evidence promised by the livery stable attendent at Eldred that when the horse was returned he was in a totally exhausted condition from all appearances the effects of over driving.

Taken all in all the case looks dark for the prisoner and there is now little chance for him to escape through the net of circumstantial evidence that has been, after so long a time woven around him and his chances for sequestration for a term of years is unusually strong

General Hamar as well as the insurance companies have been notified of the arrest and are expected to be on hand to prosecute the case to conviction or acquittal

On Wednesday evening Van Gorder was brought to Smethport, having failed to procure the $5,000 bail required and was committed to jail to await the action of the grand jury

Sleigh ride Wrecked

Mike Welsh is not a success as a navigator of a horse and cutter, and although, like other folks he is fond of such out door pleasures as sleigh riding, he some times makes the mistake of getting too much liquid freight aboard, which of course makes it dangerous Wednesday, Mike turned out with his celebrated Arabian steed "Bungolarter," for a little drive, and when in front of the Grand Central, made some nervous mistakes in the management of the craft which resulted in a complete wreck. In attempting to throw his portly bow along side a snubbing post in front of King's store, he lost control of his helm and at the same time was struck by the jib boom and knocked aloft of the luminous falling overboard at the starboard cat head At once the engines took steam, and the craft shot ahead at the rate of fifteen knots a week, but disabling her rudder at the corner by Armstrong's ding shore she rounded broadside to and dashed in to Moon's livery stable The injury to the shopping was light, but the wrecked navigator was a long time recovering from his astonishment and the effects of the snow on his overheated head

Elocution at Port Allegany

To morrow evening an entertainment consisting of select readings will be given under the auspices of the M. E. Congregation at Port Allegany by Miss M M Browne who is at present engaged drilling a class in this place The reading will be very entertaining and will well repay any that can find opportunity to attend. Miss Browne has made many friends since she came here, and being possessed of peculiar abilities as an attractress in her profession deserves support and no doubt will receive it Friday evening December 1st at the M. E. Church

Saw Mill Burned

Last Saturday night sometime after work had been suspended at the Briggs saw mill at Keating Summit it was discovered to be on fire and despite the great effort put forth by a number of men employed in the oil country about the mill was totally destroyed, a loss of some eighteen or twenty thousand dollars. It is believed that the fire originated from sparks from the stack getting into dust and lying smouldering perhaps for hours then breaking into a flame when there was no one about the mill to observe or check it

The insurance, eleven thousand dollars is good, being mostly in the Marshville agency Olean

Safe Crakers at Ulysses

Some days since burglars forced an entrance into the Southern office at Ulysses, Potter county and blowing open the safe carried off its contents, the single wrappers that had been written for the next issue, two cats before taking and after taking and the copy of Lyle E Peckham's advertisement The Post is a severe one on Seth Lewis the editor, and we order him out an extra to-day, its all we have to give We might add that fortunately his luck knock was backfired on his feet and was saved

Reuben Porter Lee in Prison

R Porter Lee the defaulting and dishonest bank president who was arrested last April, charged with embezzlement in connection with the deposits of the First national Bank of Buffalo was sentenced by Judge Wallace at Syracuse Tuesday to ten years imprisonment at hard labor in the Erie county Penitentiary There seems to be but one opinion about the sentence, and that is that it was well deserved and if served to its full will not expiate the black crimes of Lee

Personal

Dep Sheriff Jno J. Roberts came to town with two prisoners last night

C. C. Grannis of Buffalo was in town Thursday calling on his old customers and friends

John H Markham one of the most persistent wild catters of the country visited the capital Tuesday

Maj H H Adsit, Superintendent of the Bradford Oil company was a caller at the MINER office Wednesday

Prof A W Sullivan has the thanks of the MINER people for a basket of very luscious apples nicely brought in one day this week.

J S Weible of Jamestown, N Y was in town Monday on business. Jase is the same jolly fellow as of old when oil was $4 per bbl

MARRIED

ANDERSON—ANDERSON At the M. E. Parsonage, Smethport Nov 15, 1882 by Rev. J. F. Hubbard, Mr Swan Anderson and Miss Ada A. Anderson, both of Smethport Pa

DIED

At her home near this place, November 26th, Mrs. Mary Ann Underwood wife of Samuel J. Kellogg in the 39th year of her age

Funeral services will be held at the M. E. Church Saturday at one o'clock p. m. Rev. F. F. Hubbard officiating after which the remains will be interred in Rose Hill Cemetery

Do You Know!

That the Horse and Cattle Powders prepared E. M. Parmelee are composed of the very best and purest materials, Licorice, Fenugreek, Blood Root, Elecampane for Coughs, Colds, Epizootic, Distemper, Pink Eye, &c., Sulphur, Mandrake, Gentian, Bulph Magnesia for Impure Blood, Besides many other ingredients especially adapted to the cure of Colic, Worms, Fevers and all diseases of Horses, Cattle, Hogs, Sheep and Poultry. Buy no other. Full pounds only 25 cents. Sold by A. B. Armstrong.

Col. Chill Hazzard, of the Bradford City *Republican*, is bound to keep pace with the spirit of the age and presents the following as a great fact (?) which he will support by the sworn statement of the victim and a cloud of witnesses "Mr. Howard Trout, of Somerset township, about a month ago, while shaving accidently cut off his nose, he was so frightened that he let the razor fall and it cut off his toe. He at once reached down picked up the dismembered parts, placed them to the fresh cuts, applied large strips of court plaster and bandages, and they grew fast again. It was a very pleasant thing for him. But think of his horror when he was able to remove the bandages to find that he had misplaced the parts, and the end of his toe was growing where his nose ought to be. Whenever he wants to blow his nose he has to take off his shoe and stocking"

"Ladies' Tonic"

THE GREAT FEMALE REMEDY is prepared by the WOMEN'S MEDICAL INSTITUTE OF BUFFALO N Y, and is their favorite prescription for ladies who are suffering from any weakness or complaints common to the sex. It is sold by druggists at $1 00 per bottle Ladies can obtain advice FREE. Send stamp for names of those who have been CURED.

For Sale.

Steam saw Mill at Eldred, Pa. In perfect repair and doing a good business. Also, Steamboat and half million tie range in Allegany river with 15 acres of land, 3 dwellings and stock of boom lock logs if wanted. Terms easy

Address, CORNMAN & CO., Olean, N. Y.

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LEGAL.

SHERIFF'S SALES.

BY VIRTUE OF SUNDRY WRITS OF LEVARI Facias, Fieri Facias and Venditioni Exponas issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of McKean county and to me directed I will expose to public sale at the Court House in the borough of Smethport on

MONDAY, DECEMBER 18 1882

At one o'clock p m

All the defendant's interest in and to all the following described real estate situate in Annin township, McKean county, Pennsylvania bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a post standing eighty-six perches west of the northeast corner of Warrant No 4,747 running thence south two hundred and forty perches to a post thence west one hundred perches to a post thence north two hundred and forty perches to a post thence east one hundred perches to the place of beginning containing one hundred and fifty acres and allowance, more or less, being the same tract of land conveyed by Daniel Fuller to Thomas Fuller by deed dated the 1st day of April, A. D. 1865 and recorded in the office for recording of deeds in and for McKean county, Pa. in Deed Book Volume "Y" page 161, &c.

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A MINISTER'S ESCAPE

FROM THE ANTLERS TO THE DOOR OF HIS HOME—HOW IT WAS DONE

A prominent minister residing at the east has just made the following statement, which is herewith reprinted entire.

To the Editor of the Herald:

I have always shrunk from appearing prominently before the public, but a sense of the duty I owe humanity and the world prompts me to ask this opportunity for making a brief statement in your paper.

Whether it be true with others I cannot say, but during my entire life I have frequently been conscious that something was slowly and silently working to undermine my health and life. What it was I could not tell, but that some enemy of my being was destroying me within I was certain. At times I would seem comparatively well and then I would be attacked with the most distressing symptoms. I would feel peculiar pains in various parts of my body, my head would seem heavy, my respiration labored, my appetite would be ravenous one day and I would loathe food the day following. Then again I would lose all interest in life, would feel weary without exertion, would become sleepy at mid-day and restless at night. Occasionally my breathing would be labored, and my heart almost motionless, while at other times it would palpitate violently. I thought the troubles were the result of malaria, and I treated them accordingly, but I got no better. Shortly afterward my stomach became deranged, my food failed to digest, and the ghastly pictures of a possible future were a constant source of anxiety. All yet I did not realize that these symptoms meant anything serious. Finally I consulted a number of physicians, each one of whom took a different view as to the cause of my trouble.

I was suffering from [illegible] other organs. The diagnosis [illegible] fection, kidney disease, etc. My symptoms were terrible, and notwithstanding I had been under the care of [illegible] and had taken almost every form of treatment. During the severe attacks while at Red Bank N. J. a friend whom I had not seen for years called, and left a prescription. After he had gone I inspected it. It read [illegible] to go and ask him what [illegible] trouble. The reply was [illegible] be all right in a few days. [illegible] attack of delirium tremens. [illegible] out of mind that there was [illegible] so I had never used any kind of [illegible] eating drinks, whereupon he [illegible] made it prince and had [illegible] tion. I did so, and [illegible] pleasant sensation [illegible] I was conscious [illegible] what I was [illegible] was [illegible] days. [illegible] Kidney Disease [illegible] of their own. [illegible] of nearly every known [illegible] know that people are dying [illegible] from supposed consumption [illegible] heart disease, spinal [illegible] many other diseases when [illegible] real cause is known, it would be found to originate in the kidneys. In the advanced stages kidney troubles are the most terrible of all. Its wonderful [illegible] my own experience calls for [illegible] That I had for years [illegible] I have known those of many other diseases equally certain, and that Dr. [illegible] to a healthful state [illegible] as I was. I am positive. The [illegible] received, confirm the [illegible]

Vermont Asylum for the Insane

Brattleboro, Vermont, [illegible]

Rev. E. D. Hopkins:

Dear Sir,—Yours of the [illegible] received. We congratulate you not only upon the continuance of your health, but also upon its apparent [illegible] prevention. How precious I think I have passed through so similar [illegible] experience as you and relished from it. Certainly I cannot recall one who came to us in so critical and forlorn [illegible] weeks in so hopeless a state [illegible] ment as you and who survived and recovered from it to [illegible] such a now I neither yours of [illegible] longer on the confines of [illegible] for the continuance of your [illegible] health, with the best wishes from all here, I am yours truly,

J. DRAPER,
Steward.

Orange, N. J., Nov. 3, 1882.

MY DEAR FRIEND:—Replying to your letter I say, I have been acquainted with my highly valued friend, the Rev. S. D. Hopkins about eighteen months, and very intimately acquainted for about six months past. For a little more than two months he was an inmate of my house, and we enjoyed constant intercourse with each other. When he came in April last he was almost a perfect wreck in point of health. I thought he had come to us but to die. Soon after words he began the use of some of H. H. Warner & Co.'s remedies, namely, the Safe Kidney and Liver cure, Safe Nervine and Safe Pills. From almost the time he began their use his improvement was very marked and wonderful, and when he left me, after having taken some two dozen bottles, he was like a new man. The change was the most remarkable I ever witnessed.

SAMUEL MILLER,
Pastor of the Presbyterian Church.

In view, therefore, of these facts and with a hope that all who read this may take timely warning, I make this open statement freely and for the good of my fellowmen. Sincerely,

REV. E. D. HOPKINS.

East Richford, Vt., Nov. 7, 1882.

HUMOROUS

An Unequal Match.—Mrs. Langtry and Shakespeare.—*Puck.*

Dreams, says a scientist, are produced by sensations felt while asleep. Who would have thought it. We always thought dreams were produced by sensations you couldn't feel while you were awake.

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